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In re:

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E. Premkumar Reddy et al.

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 8, 2003, and in accordance with the Rules of Practice, please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks below. Per the petition and fee submitted herewith, Applicants invoke the benefit of 1.136(a) to secure a twomonth extension of time up to and including September 8, 2003. A Request for Continued Examination is filed herewith. It is not believed that extensions of time or fees are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper.

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However, if additional fees are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such fees are hereby authorized to be charged to the Deposit Account No. 50-0573.

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